

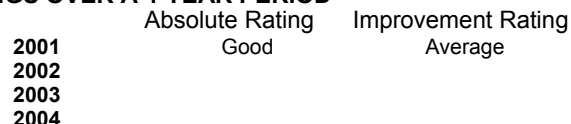
**ABSOLUTE RATING: Good**

**IMPROVEMENT RATING: Average**

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 82.

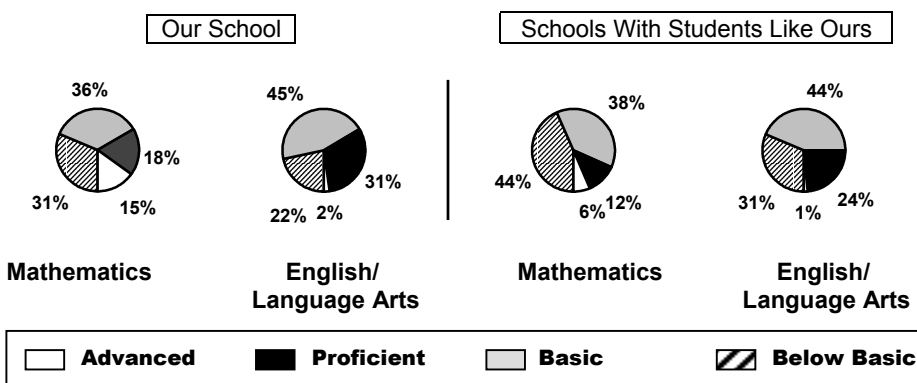
The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from unsatisfactory to good. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to excellent.

## RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD



(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

## PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS



## DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced** – Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient** – Student performance met expectations.
- Basic** – Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic** – Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT				
Student Group	English/ Language Arts	Math	Science	Social Studies
<b>All students (n=331)</b>	78.2	68.6	N/A	N/A
Students with disabilities other than Speech (n=37)	67.6	45.9		
Students without disabilities (n=293)	79.9	71.7		
<b>Gender</b>				
Male (n=169)	78.7	74.6		
Female (n=161)	78.3	62.7		
<b>Ethnic Group</b>				
African American (n=169)	69.8	58		
Hispanic (n=2)	N/A	N/A		
White (n=158)	87.3	79.7		
Other (n=N/A)	N/A	N/A		
<b>Lunch Status Group</b>				
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=250)	72.4	62.4		
Pay for lunch (n=80)	97.5	88.8		

## SCHOOL PROFILE

### INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

SCHOOL	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
• Dollars spent per student	\$6,123	N/A	\$5,493	\$5,347
• Prime instructional time	91.1%	Down from 91.6%	89.7%	90.2%
• Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	18.6 to 1	N/A	18.2 to 1	18.7 to 1
<b>STUDENTS (n=668)</b>				
• Attendance Rate	96.5%	Down from 96.8%	96%	96.2%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level	10.6%	N/A	6.4%	4.1%
• Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade level	9.7%	N/A	5.5%	3.1%
• First graders who attended full day kindergarten	98.8%	Down from 100%	96.6%	96.3%
• Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Retention rate	2.9%	Down from 3.3%	4.3%	3.6%
<b>TEACHERS (n=50)</b>				
• Professional Development days per teacher	10.1 Days	Up from 6.9	7.9 Days	7.6 days
• Attendance Rate	95.7%	Down from 95.8%	95.1%	95.1%
• Teachers with advanced degrees	24%	Down from 25%	42.2%	47.7%
• Continuing contract teachers	74%	Down from 83.7%	82.7%	83.8%
• Teachers with out-of-field permits	0%	No change	0%	0.0%
• Teachers returning from the previous school year	91%	Down from 93.8%	86.3%	87.2%
• Average teacher salary	\$35,988	Down 1.8%	\$36,435	\$37,520

## SCHOOL FACTS

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
<b>SCHOOL</b>				
• Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries	64.4%	N/A	65%	65.3%
• Principal's years at the school	13	N/A	3	4.0
• Parents attending conferences	99%	N/A	95.8%	95.6%
• Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
<b>STUDENTS</b>				
• On academic plans	62.1%	Up from 33.9%	51.5%	43.1%
• On academic probation	0%	N/A	0%	0.0%
• Older than usual for grade	1.9%	Up from 0.2%	1.6%	1.1%
• Suspended or expelled	117	N/A	2	1
• Gifted and talented	10.3%	Up from 8.5%	7.5%	11.5%
• With disabilities other than speech	12.1%	Up from 10.8%	9.6%	8.4%



## PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

This has been a great year at Loris Elementary School. Our students performed well academically and artistically. They engaged in a number of service projects and set an example for others. Among our accomplishments are the following:

- The school won the district Pacesetter Award (based on achieving two thirds of the school's performance goals).
- Our students read 45,495 books and earned 26,460 Accelerated Reader points.
- The school won the SC Exemplary Writing Award for having an outstanding writing program.
- All students received instruction in Spanish.
- Our parent education programs averaged 87 parents in attendance monthly.
- The school's Reading Recovery Program discontinued 23 at-risk first grade students. These students are now reading at the average or above levels of the first grade class.

Our teachers and staff have worked extremely hard. We progressed toward meeting performance goals included in our strategic plan and five-year school renewal plan. All of our teachers participated in professional development focusing on instructional strategies for literacy and math. Several of our teachers provided training in literacy and math for schools both within and outside of our district. Over twenty schools visited our school during the past year to observe effective practices. Karen Campbell was selected as Teacher of the Year and was named a Golden Apple Award Winner. Brad France-Kelly was named SC Assistant Principal of the Year, and Leon Hayes was named Administrator of the Year by the SC Association of School Administrators. Our PTA obtained 100% membership for the second consecutive year. Funds were also raised to purchase a surveillance system for safety. During the coming year, we will work with our PTA and School Improvement Council to continue to increase parent and community involvement.

Leon Hayes, Principal

### EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents
Satisfied with learning environment	96.1	90.7	(Avail. 2002)
Satisfied with social and physical environment	96.1	89.4	
Satisfied with home-school relations	96.1	90.7	

### DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

**Excellent** – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Good** – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Average** – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Below Average** – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

**Unsatisfactory** – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Loris Elementary  
901 Hwy. 9 Business, East  
Loris, SC 29569

Grades PK-5 Elementary School

Enrollment: 668 Students

#### Principal

Leon Hayes 843 756-7824

#### Superintendent

Dr. Gerrita Postlewait 843 488-6717

#### Board Chair

Helen M. Smith 843-236-3333

## THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School  
Report Card

2001

School Grade:  
Good

#### South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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